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## 1076-AF18

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Re: 1076-AF18

Dear Department of Interior Officials:

I was delighted when I heard the rules for federal recognition were being revised. I felt finally the government was going to make the rules more realistic for Indian tribes seeking federal recognition. To my dismay I was utterly disappointed when I read the latest draft of rule changes that said: If a third party individual or entity has participated in an IBIA or Secretarial Reconsideration or an Administrative Procedure Act appeal in Federal court and ultimately prevailed, a denied petitioner may seek to re-petition only with the consent of the individual or organization.

Is that rule even constitutional?

I object to that third party rule and hope others will see that statement as another ploy to "trick" deserving Native Americans from what they rightfully deserve – just as our ancestors did.

Sincerely,

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